



Topic 4: Status Quo Simulation

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Discussion Points

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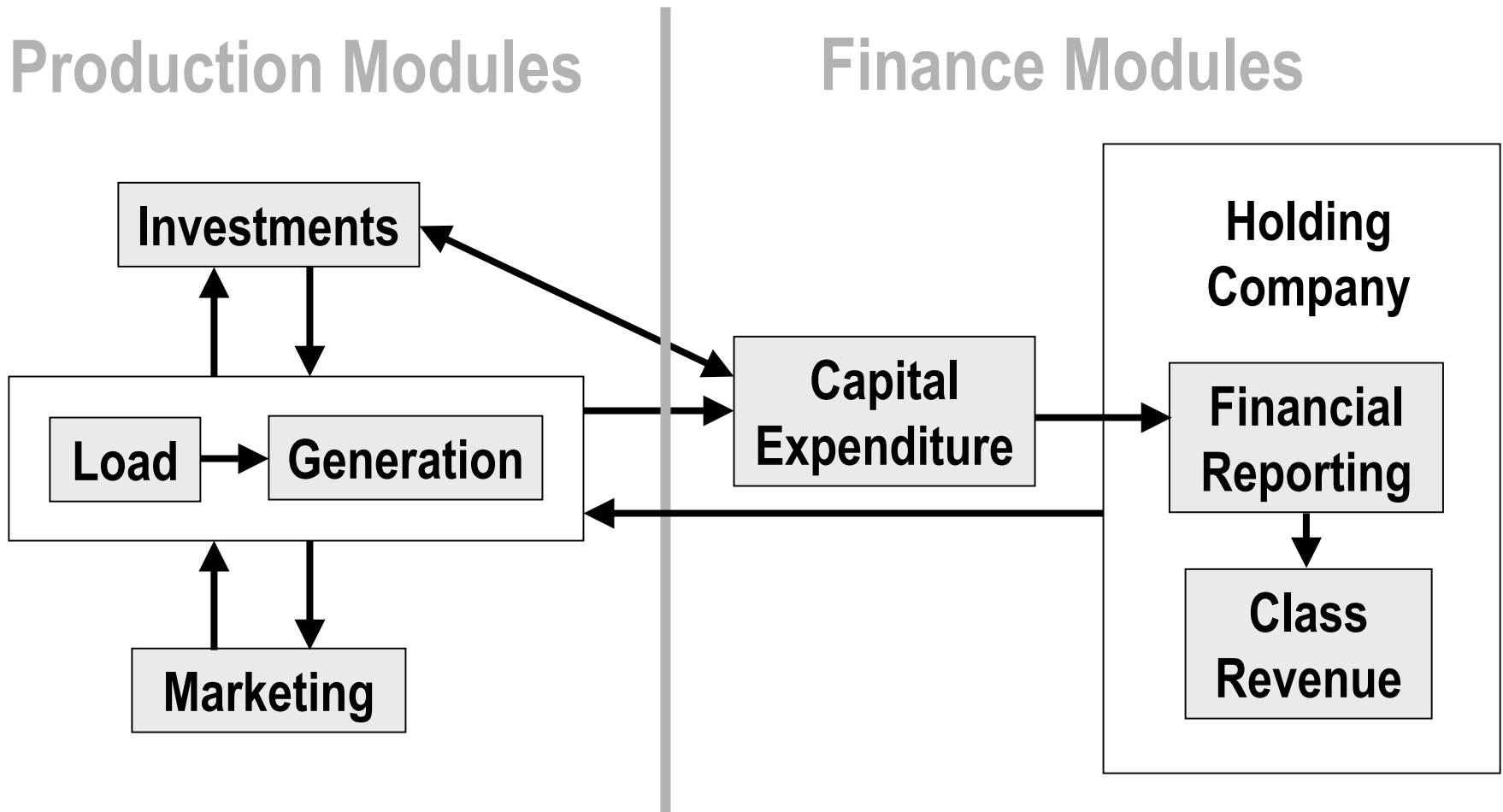


Simulation Model

Simulation Model Components

- **Production Modules (4)**
 - Load
 - Generation
 - Investments
 - Network trade
- **Finance Modules (4)**
 - Capital expenditure
 - Financial reporting
 - Class revenue/tariffs
 - Holding company

Model Schematic





Status Quo Simulation

Objective

- **Capture the operations of power markets in Hawaii over several future years under cost-of-service regulation**
- **Simulation of island power markets**
 - Hawaii
 - Oahu
 - Maui
 - Molokai
 - Lanai
 - Kauai
- **Study period: 20 to 30 years**

Approach

- **Generation mix constrained to satisfy RPS**
- **Future consumption patterns**
- **Future tariff levels & structures**
- **Continuation of cost-of-service regulation throughout the study period**
- **Future opportunities for utilities to earn a reasonable rate of return**

Forecasts

- **Load profiles**
- **Fuel prices & supplies**
- **Generation & transmission capacity additions**
- **Cost-of-service regulatory tools**

Scale, Timing, & Location of Investments

- **Gathering of suggestions on the scale, timing, & location of generation & transmission investments**
- **Simulation of renewable energy investments as part of a least-cost expansion plan**
 - **Consistent with the RPS**
 - **Encourages investments in renewables**

Outputs

- **Forecast of future conditions in island power markets**
- **Forecast electric utility rate designs**
- **Meaningful forecasts assuming the continuation of cost-of-service regulation**



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